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FRESH NEWS by Tueſday-Poſt from New-York.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 23, 1769.

Letter from London, Nov. 17.

THE next packet from your ſide I hope will bring orders leſs clogg'd with political limitations. At preſent the attention of every body is fixed upon the parliament. It is generally thought that they will confirm the obnoxious meaſures heretofore taken. In the debate that aroſe on the motion for returning the thanks of the houſe to the king for his ſpeech, there were not wanting ſome powerful ſpeakers on the ſide of America and liberty; Mr. Burke, Mr. Laſcelles, Sir George Saville, Col. Barre, Lord Strange, and ſome others, the great orators of the houſe. The ſame gentlemen, with Mr. Beckford, ſpoke ſtrongly in favour of Mr Wilkes, whoſe petition is now before the houſe. They have ordered a copy of the records of the proceedings on his caſe, to be laid before them, and the good or ill fate of that petition, will be a certain criterion by which we may judge of the principles of the houſe, with reſpect to America. If the miniſtry have a majority in the houſe, America and Wilkes muſt expect the ſame fate."

Laſt monday morning died here Mr. JACOB FRANKSS of the Jewiſh profeſſion, for many years an eminent merchant of this city. A gentleman of a moſt amiable character; in his family a tender and kind maſter: As a merchant, punctual and upright in all his dealings; as a citizen, humane and benevolent; a friend to the poor of all denominations, affable and friendly in his behaviour to all. He is now gone to receive from the Supreme God whom he adored, his reward among the faithful. *The memorial of the righteous is bleſſed.* On tueſday his remains were decently interred in the Jews burying-place, attended by a great number of his friends.

LONDON.

Oc. 29. 'Tis thought that ſeveral perſons will be ordered from America, to give an account of their conduct to an auguſt aſſembly.

No. 1. We are told that a warrant went over with the laſt troops from Ireland, to bring home an American orator.

No. 10. An officer who arrived from Boſton laſt friday ſays tis reported that two gentlemen of conſequence decamped from that town into the country.

The laſt letters from Leghorn ſay, that the French troops in Corſica, notwithſtanding the arrival there lately of a re-inforcement of eight battalions, with a very great quantity of ammunition and military ſtores think of nothing but acting on the defenſive; for which purpoſe they were fortifying Biguglia and Foriani, and poſting all the troops around thoſe towns, as fearing an attack on thoſe two places. M. de Grandmaiſon has likewiſe withdrawn his troops from Oletta for the ſame purpoſe, and in order to preſerve open the communication with S. Fiorenzo.

As it appears from the cuſtom-houſe books that the colonies take from Great-Britain to the value of

three millions yearly, it behoves all the trading part of the kingdom to conſider, whether it is not their intereſt to petition that ſuch meaſures may be taken with the colonies, as may ſtill continue them our friends.

Nov. 12. Laſt tueſday evening, between eight and nine o'clock, the Queen was happily delivered of a Princeſs.

Nov. 15. The report of David Hume, Eſq; being appointed ſecretary to the embaſſy to France is without foundation.

Letters from Paris, dated Nov. 4, ſay, that the laſt letters from Corſica adviſe, that the eight battallions arrived on the 14th ult. Theſe letters add that general Paoli cauſed the French priſoners to be treated with great humanity, and ſent back the principal officers on their parole of honour.

A collection of toaſts drank on Mr. Wilks's birth-day is handed about in print. Among them are the following,

May the eyes of the blind be opened. May Truth reach the ears of kings. May the memory of Mr. Wilkes be tranſmitted to poſterity in the temple of the worthies; and that af Lord B—— in the temple of Cloacina. May the inglorious peace-maker meet with the fate of a Gaveſton and a Spencer. May the eyes of Middleſex never be blinded with Bath ſtars.

May John Wilkes, Eſq; ſoon take his ſeat in the houſe of commons and marſhal Thomas and *his* taylor be confined to a dirty room at Guilford.

Nov. 19. It was on Wedneſday currently reported at the weſt end of the town, that a pardon would ſoon be granted to John Wilkes, eſq and in conſequence of that, he will take his ſeat without oppoſition.

A correſpondent tells us, that as America was heretofore conquered in Germany, it is propoſed in caſe of another war, to conquer France in Corſica.

To the Printer, &c.

EPITAPH on the late Lord HOWE.

PATRIOTS and chiefs! Britannia's mighty Dead,
Whoſe wiſdom counſel'd, and whoſe valour bled;
With gratulations, 'midſt your radiant hoſt,
Receive to glory Howe's heroic Ghoſt;
Who, ſelf-ſevere, in Honours cauſe expirep
By native worth, and your example, fired.
In foreign fields, like Sidney young and Brave
Doom'd to an early not untimely Grave
Death flew commiſſion'd by celeſtial Love
And ſcourging Earth improv'd the Joys above
Impaſſive to low pleaſures baneful Charms,
Inured to generous toils and nerv'd for arms
He ſaw, indignant, our worſt foes advance,
With ſtrides gigantic——Luxury and France!
A martial ſpirit emulous to raiſe,
He fought as Soldiers fought in Malbro's days,
His Country call'd ——The noble Talents given,
'Twas his t'exert —— Succeſs belong'd to Heaven!
High o'er his Standard, and the crimſon Shore,
Plum'd Victory hover'd till he breath'd no more.
'Midſt piles of ſlaughter'd foes—
" French Slaves" he cry'd,
" My Britons will revenge"——
then ſmiled and dy'd

MARCUS RHETIUS.——

N. B. *The King's Speech, in a poetical dreſs is received, and will probably appear in the next Penny Poſt, Friday Afternoon.*

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